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## THE LAND EXPLOITER.

The governor of the State of Illinois has bought a farm in Saskatchewan and will operate it. He will not use upon it, of course, but will have it managed for his benefit and will collect the returns, if there are any, to his private fortune or spend in his own country. Remembering that people from the United States, who are coming to Canada to live are bringing with them 50 or 60 million dollars in cash and kind this year alone, it would be complaining about a flea bite to find fault with one man who chooses to buy a farm in Canada and live in the United States. Probably if the second was case it would be found that for every American resident who comes and settles on a farm in Canada there is an ex-American citizen living in Canada who still owns property in the United States from which he draws revenue. Nevertheless the case of the governor illustrates a practice that has already made some headway in certain portions of the West and which is not only means the most desirable. In some parts of Southern Alberta wealthy Americans have come across the border and bought large tracts of wheat land. This they crop year after year to wheat, spending in the country only so much time and money as is necessary to do so. The winners they spend playing golf as Pasadena, and other favored southern resorts, paying their bills with the proceeds of Canadian-grown crops. As the farming operations are carried on by machinery, the wages bill is reduced to the minimum, while for the remainder the estate is practically destitute of population. From the standpoint of the man or the company having large tracts of land to sell, such a purchaser is no doubt a windfall. The locality is no doubt better off than though the land had been left in idleness. Nevertheless this kind of farming is of infinitely less value to either the community or the country than that which would be carried on by the scores of men who would take their families onto the land and make it not only productive but a permanently populated township. Properly applied this is not farming at all, but exploitation. The process aims at drawing the wealth from the soil as rapidly as possible and with the minimum of expense. When the process is completed somebody may get the land at a price that looks like a "bargain," but he must undertake a long, laborious and expensive course of reclamation before he can make a farm of it. And meantime the community suffers materially and socially by the preservation of the domain in practically an occupied condition, and must suffer while the future farmer is trying to get it back to the productive state. It is perhaps impossible to prevent this process. Perhaps it would be unwise and unjust to attempt to prevent it by legislation. None the less from the standpoint of the country at large it must be lamented as an inferior method of development and one which will, for a long time to come, do the district in which it is carried on. Absentee landholders build up no country save that in which the landless resides and to which they draw the wealth of the community in which are his holdings. Britain has grown wealthy largely because her people draw annual tribute from nearly every country in the world, from ranches, farms, plantations, forests, mines and factories. The process is an excellent one for Great Britain, but it is based on all the rest of creation. Western Canada stands to gain nothing from becoming a tributary to foreign holders of her lands. For every dollar they put in they will take much more than a dollar out, and in doing it they shut out people who would be glad to go on the land to make homes as well as money, and whose money would be spent in the country to the benefit of its industry and trade. Settlement is what the West needs, not what ex-

ploiting. The more rapidly settlement comes the less likely is absenteeism to become general. Now that the resources of the country are known we must get one of the other—the real settler or the absentee landlord. If we relaxed our efforts to get the former we should have to expect the latter to pass into possession of the latter. This would mean the creation of a new Ireland on the prairie.

## THANK GOODNESS.

An American explorer claims to have reached the North Pole. Let us hope it is true. To one person at least the feat will be profitable, the explorer, though it is likely the few at that particular spot look much like the rest anywhere else in the polar regions, but the chief gain will be that the pole will no longer be the goal of intrepid men. In the last hundred years unnumerable lives and shiploads of money have been sacrificed in attempts to traverse the ice fields and reach the pole. Aside from whatever physical benefits might hope to gain from its discovery the lives and money were wasted. Of practical benefit to humanity there was none to hope. Expeditions in search of the poles are of a different class altogether than those formerly sent to find a water way around the north shore of America. The latter were undertaken in the hope of accomplishing something of practical usefulness to the race. The former have had no such motive or hope behind them. They may have been justified to some extent as efforts to secure exact scientific knowledge, but aside from this they had no justifiable aim. And the men who perished in them were the world could do without to lose. They were men of scientific knowledge, with the thirst for knowledge, and with the daring to put their lives in the risk to get it. Such men should have been able to find ample room for original effort in some field which promised more benefit to humanity. If the present report is true their kind will have one less temptation to leave these fields or one less risk in useful occupation.

## CURRENT COMMENT.

Magistrate Day, of Winnipeg, has issued a writ-habeas corpus, in addition to a term in prison, punishing the brute truck driver who came punishment is about right proportionately.

Hamilton, Ontario, is the latest place to report a dying machine which appears in the morning and cuts up corpses about the peak of "the mountain." But then some Hamilton people have even claimed to see Hamilton a possible rival of Toronto.

The Financial Post considers it noteworthy that Canadian financiers would like to have the Dominion provinces' savings banks abolished just when the student Yaff is thinking of establishing such a bank in the United States. It may be noteworthy, but certainly not remarkable, either that the bankers should want a rival for deposits put out of business or that Mr. Yaff should consider the advisability of starting a bank from which the people of his country would be tolerably sure of getting their money back when they wanted it. It is quite true, however, that the element of risk which is the strong argument for the establishment of the system across the line does not necessarily its retention here, for the banking system of Canada protects the depositor about as fully as it would be possible to do so.

The chief license inspector has returned from a hunting trip in the northern portion of the Province, where he bagged ten blind pigs. Most of them were of the ordinary variety but one showed a variation worthy of attention. A Chinaman was recorded for selling "cider" which graded nine to ten per cent. spirits, about three times the percentage allowed by law. He was let off, the magistrate holding the manufacturer to be his principal responsible. The view seems reasonable and suggests that the effect cannot be too alert as to the kind of stuff peddled off under the guise of cider and other innocent-sounding names. It would do no harm and perhaps much good to extend the investigation to the extent of finding out not only whether or not it contains alcohol but what it is really made of. If all the "Irish juice" sold in this country comes from Britain then the products of the tree and vine have seriously altered their flavor since the mothers of the present generation used to make "stew" therefrom. As the stuff is sold without license the only way to keep track of its source is to go to the factory. And as it is sold indiscriminately to people

of both sexes and all ages it is in every way desirable to know what it is made of and whether any of the ingredients are harmful, whether the combination is intoxicating or not.

—The real settler or the absentee landlord.

—Due to late wheat crop.

Canal Returns Show Decrease in Number of Bushels Going Through.

Montreal, Sept. 1.—Due to the late season of this year's Canadian wheat crop the canal returns show a decrease in the number of bushels passed through, but of the total of 2,310,288 bushels recorded during the month of August, practically the same amount was shipped in September last year. Last year's returns for the corresponding month put the figures at 2,671,229 bushels of corn had passed down whereas during the same month of 1908, no corn had arrived. There has been a decrease in barley and flax seed, but this is more than made up for by the big jump in flour. Against 1908 is 126,835 sacks of flour ahead the 31,528 sacks registered last year. The increases and decreases in the other things about balance the month.

The following tables contain accurate figures for 1908 and 1909—

Wheat, bushels .....	2,315,228	3,671,529
Oats, bushels .....	607,257	647,280
Barley, bushels .....	156,275	156,275
Flour, bushels .....	126,835	85,350
Flour, sacks .....	164,201	31,528
Flax, cases .....	1,436	3,355
Butter, pounds .....	985	309
Groceries, boxes .....	40,403	41,461
Canadian steam .....	600	271
To Lacrosse canal .....	271,197	56,363
Let passes issued .....	769	944
Canadian steam .....	600	271
Canadian sail .....	204	293
Regular tons .....	450	123
Passengers .....	31,743	23,305
Merchandise .....	135,600	1,050

## INFANTILE PARALYSIS EPIDEMIC

Strange Disease Attacks Scores of Brooklyn Children.

New York, Sept. 2.—More than 300 children in a limited district of Brooklyn have been stricken within the past few days with a form of infantile paralysis. Not even the healthiest children are immune from the epidemic, but bottle-fed babies are the most susceptible. Although the disease does not appear to be fatal, Brooklyn physicians believe that many of the victims will be crippled for life.

The superintendent of the Brooklyn health department said that the great epidemic the fourth largest of its kind in medical history. Greatly reduced has been heretofore in checking the disease, because little has been known about its cause and nature.

## Dreadful Drought in Pennsylvania.

Dreading, Pa., Sept. 2.—Drought conditions are worse today than at any time preceding the history of the Shenandoah Valley in 1877 years. But one and a half inches of rain fell in this vicinity since July 1. Many wells and springs are dried up, streams are lower than before and the crops are suffering. The corn and the potato crops will be a failure. Pasture is worse than it was last fall. In some localities farmers are driving cattle several miles to water.

Huck and crepe loom towels with red borders 18 x 37 ins., very good value at 30c per yard. On Saturday for 20c.

Dress Muslins at Half Price.

Silk and wool crepe, very beautiful for evening dress, in light green, black, fawn, lavender, grey, navy, light blue and red, Regular 75c per yard. On Saturday, per yard, 50c.

Stripe voile for waists, in light or dark blue, light or dark green, helio or brown, Regular \$1.35 for per yard, 95c.

Fancy Parasols Half Price.

Dresden Allover Net

White or cream Dresden allover net, neat pattern, reg. \$2.75 per yard; On Saturday, per yard, \$2.50

Copenhagen allover net, with large spots, Regular \$1.50 per yard. Saturday, per yd. 1.25

Linen fancy centre pieces, very nice designs, Regular \$1.75. Saturday for, \$1.40

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## SATURDAY SALE

## Who is Who? and Why?

Who is who? The Acme Co. And why? Because they are the leaders of the most exclusive styles in Edmonton. Our Mr. Ludwig, who has been in New York for the past six weeks, has just returned with a beautiful selection of the latest novelties in fall and winter suits and dresses. Here are a few to choose from:

Very natty and stylish Princesses with straight panel fronts and plaited sides, some inverted plaits. No two alike, trimmed in black silk cord and buttoned down the back with jet buttons, in all the latest shades of brown, blue, green and tan, all sizes. To see them is to secure one. Reg. price \$20.00, Saturday sale only \$13.95

To have the acme of style is to secure one of our up-to-date Waists, made on strictly tailor lines, just the article to wear with our new fall suits just arrived. All sizes, in shades of slate grey, tan and blue stripes, very stylish. Regular \$3.50, Saturday for \$2.00.

All Summer goods in the Ready-to-wear department. To be sacrificed at the cost to make room for our new fall goods. LOOK OUT FOR OUR OPENING.

## Ladies' Night Gowns \$1.25 values for 95c on Saturday

Ladies, night gowns, nicely trimmed with embroidery, are regularly sold at \$1.25. On Saturday for only 95c

## LADIES' VESTS FOR 40c.

Ladies' fine ribbed sleeve vests Regular 65c, Saturday for 40c

A special line of P.D. corsets, long hip, bias filled, with four supporters, Regular \$3.00 On Saturday, \$2.00

## Dress Goods Department

Colored mercerized broadcloth vesting, new shades in stripe patterns, Regular 35c per yd. for per yard, 25c

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## Extra Good Values in the Men's Furnishing Dept.

Men's and boys' soft felt hats, in all colors and shapes. Regular \$2.50. On Saturday Each, \$1.00

A special line of boys' felt hats, Regular 65c. On Saturday for, 25c

Men's negligee shirts, English, gingham and oxfords, all sizes, regular \$1.25 to \$2.00 Saturday, each, 75c

Men's dogskin gloves, good for driving, Regular \$1.25 to \$1.50. On Saturday for 85c

Men's new four-in-hand ties in the newest shades and patterns, Regular 50c to 75c. Saturday for, only 25c

## Ready-to-wear Dept.

All our summer goods to be sacrificed at below cost—

New goods are coming in every day. We must make room for our new fall stock. Profit by our last summer sale.

## Drapery Dept.

Cream or white curtain muslin, Regular 35c per yard. On Saturday, per yard, 25c

Tapestry table covers, 2 yds. square, green and red, fancy patterns, Regular \$3.25. Saturday for, \$2.75

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Tapestry cushion tops, reg. 75c each. Saturday for 50c

Crotonnes, nice designs, all shades, good choice, regular 35c per yard. On Saturday, per yard, 25c

Special line of tapestry rugs size 6 x 26, Regular \$4.25. On Saturday for, \$3.50

DENT'S GLOVES 85c PER PAIR.

Men's dogskin gloves, all sizes, good quality. Regular \$1.20 to \$1.50. On Saturday for, 85c

## Special Lines of Footwear in the Shoe Department

Children's patent kid oxfords, sizes 5 to 10½, regular \$1.50 to \$1.75. On Saturday for only 95c

Children's patent and kid Roman sandals, sizes 5 to 10½, Regular \$1.25. On Saturday, 95c

Ladies' kid patent tip oxfords, Regular \$2.25 and \$2.50 per pair. Saturday Sale, per pair, \$1.75

Ladies' kid and patent leather boots, small sizes, reg. \$4.00 to \$5.00. On Saturday, per pair, \$3.65

Men's stylish patent cloth blucher shoes, navy at \$3.00. On Saturday for, \$3.65

Men's broken lines of calf, patent cloth, kid blucher shoes, Regular \$4.00 to \$5.00. On Saturday for, \$2.50

## Hardware Dept.

Hunters' supplies at very low prices—

Cartridge belts, regular 35c. On Saturday for, 30c

A few gun cases, Regular \$1.25. On Saturday for 75c

## A Few of the Bargains in the Men's Clothing Dept.

Men's summer fancy vests, fine patterns, nice cut, Regular \$3.00 to \$5.00 for Half Price.

Men's blue serge suits, all sizes, Regular \$12.50. On Saturday for, \$9.75

## Perrin's Gloves

Ladies' Perrin's white or black kid gloves, in all sizes, Regular \$1.50. On Saturday, per pair, 95c

## Grocery Dept.

Special Offers.

One-lb. tin Clover Leaf Salmon, Regular 20c. On Saturday for, 15c

7-lb. tins Waustaff's jam, assorted, Regular \$1.15. On Saturday, 85c

Cravan coffee, Regular 45c per pound. On Saturday for, per lb., 35c

Try our Kolony Blend Tea, Regular 45c per lb. On Saturday for, 35c

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